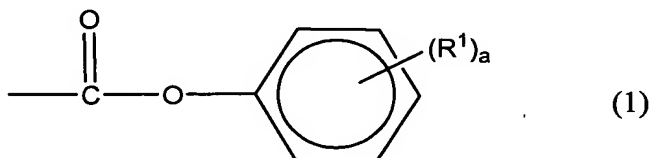


IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

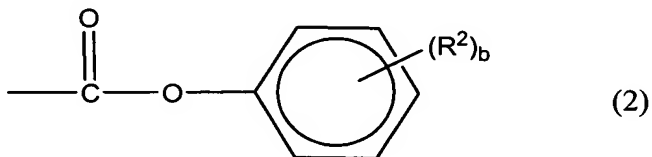
Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A thermoplastic resin composition comprising:

(A) 0.5 to 99.9 mass % of an aromatic polycarbonate-polyorganosiloxane copolymer having a terminal group represented by formula (1):



wherein R¹ represents an alkyl group having 1 to 35 carbon atoms and a is an integer of 0 to 5;

(B) 0 to 99.5 mass % of an aromatic polycarbonate having a terminal group represented by formula (2):



wherein R² represents an alkyl group having 1 to 35 carbon atoms and b is an integer of 0 to 5;

(C) 0.1 to 5 mass % of fine silica having an average particle diameter of about 50 nm or less; and

(D) 0 to 2 mass % of a polytetrafluoroethylene.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): The thermoplastic resin composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein said aromatic polycarbonate-polyorganosiloxane copolymer of component (A) has a polyorganosiloxane moiety having a polydimethylsiloxane skeleton.

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The thermoplastic resin composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein said aromatic polycarbonate-polyorganosiloxane copolymer of component (A) comprises a polyorganosiloxane moiety in an amount of 0.1 to 4 mass % based on said thermoplastic resin composition.

Claim 4 (Canceled).

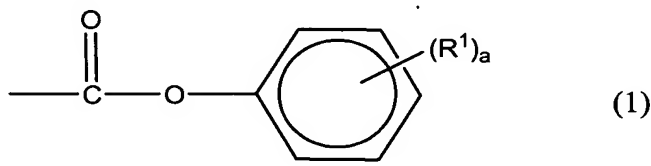
Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The thermoplastic resin composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein said fine silica of component (C) is dispersed in a solvent.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): A molded article comprising a thermoplastic resin composition as claimed in claim 1.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A thermoplastic resin produced by the process comprising:

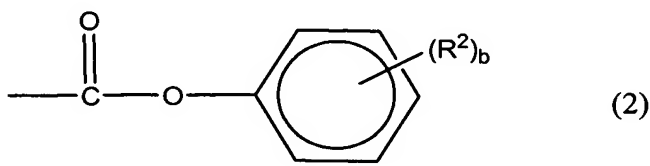
compounding

A) 0.5 to 99.9 mass % of said aromatic polycarbonate-polyorganosiloxane copolymer having a terminal group represented by formula (1);



wherein R¹ represents an alkyl group having 1 to 35 carbon atoms and a is an integer of 0 to 5;

B) 0 to 99.5 mass % of said aromatic polycarbonate having a terminal group represented by formula (2);



wherein R^2 represents an alkyl group having 1 to 35 carbon atoms and b is an integer of 0 to 5;

C) 0.1 to 5 mass % of said fine silica having an average particle diameter of about 50 nm or less; and

D) 0 to 2 mass % of said polytetrafluoroethylene
to obtain said thermoplastic resin composition.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A method of producing a thermoplastic resin composition, said method comprising:

compounding

A) 0.5 to 99.9 mass % of said aromatic polycarbonate-polyorganosiloxane copolymer having a terminal group represented by formula (1);

B) 0 to 99.5 mass % of said aromatic polycarbonate having a terminal group represented by formula (2);

C) 0.1 to 5 mass % of said fine silica having an average particle diameter of about 50 nm or less;

D) 0 to 2 mass % of said polytetrafluoroethylene
to obtain said thermoplastic resin composition.

Claim 9 (New): The thermoplastic composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein said fine silica has an average particle diameter of about 5 to about 40 nm.

Claim 10 (New): The thermoplastic composition as claimed in claim 9, wherein said fine silica is present in an amount that ranges from 0.1 to 3 mass %.

Claim 11 (New): The thermoplastic composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein said fine silica is present in an amount that ranges from 0.1 to 3 mass %.

Claim 12 (New): The thermoplastic composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein said fine silica has an average particle diameter of about 17 nm.

Claim 13 (New): The thermoplastic composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein said fine silica has an average particle diameter of about 20 nm.

Claim 14 (New): The thermoplastic composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein said fine silica has an average particle diameter of about 17 nm and is present in an amount of about 0.5 mass%.

Claim 15 (New): The thermoplastic composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein said fine silica has an average particle diameter of about 20 nm and is present in an amount of about 0.5 mass%.

Claim 16 (New): The thermoplastic composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein said fine silica has an average particle diameter of about 20 nm and is present in an amount of about 1.0 mass%.

DISCUSSION OF AMENDMENT

Claims 1-8 are pending.

Claims 1, 7, and 8 are amended to include the limitation "having an average particle diameter of about 50 nm or less." Support for this amendment is found on page 11, line 37. Applicants believe the term "about" to be clear when read in light of the Specification because the value represents an average and said average an associated standard deviation. The amendments to Claims 7-8 include formulas (1) and (2). The original claim language contained a reference to these formulas, but the claim did not explicitly reproduce the same.

Claim 4 is canceled without prejudice.

Claims 9-16 are added. Claim 9 is supported by the Specification text found on page 11, line 37. Claims 10-11 are supported by the Specification text found on page 12, line 5. Claims 12-16 are supported by the exemplified embodiments. The Examiner's attention is directed to page 19, lines 21-29 showing the average particle size for Silica-1 and Silica-2. Table 1 on page 21 shows the compositional amount of Silica-1 and Silica-2 employed in examples 1-4.

No new matter is believed to be added upon entry of the amendment.

Upon entry of the amendment, Claims 1-3 and 5-16 will be active.